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In re Application of:

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Title: DATA ENTRY METHOD
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Examiner:

Ulysses Weldon

Applicant Document Number:

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Applicant submits this Preliminary Amendment in accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.115. This Preliminary Amendment is filed before the mailing date of a first Office action on the merits.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees due under 37 C.F.R. §1.16 or §1.17 during the pendency of the present application to Deposit Account No. 06-1553.

Applicant respectfully solicits the Examiner's consideration of this Preliminary Amendment and entry thereof into the record of this application.

In the claims, please add:

82. The apparatus of claim 22 further comprising sensor signal receiving means for receiving a sensor signal indicative of an actual or attempted muscle activation; and wherein the control means is further operative to switch, responsive to the sensor signal, from confining at least part of the first cursor to the first polygon to confining at least part of the first cursor to the second polygon .

83. The apparatus of claim 82 wherein the human interface system includes a switch and the sensor